REMARKS

Claim 1 has been amended to broaden claim 1 and also to add dependent claim 8. Claim 8 calls for first and second tiles having alignment tabs and grooves. While the Examiner points out that Mazurek teaches the use of alignment devices, Mazurek plainly does not teach alignment tabs and grooves.

Therefore, claim 1 as amended should patentably distinguish over the art.

Claim 13 has been amended to broaden the claim and to add the subject matter of dependent claim 18. Claim 18 calls for a system wherein a plurality of tiles is formed into a module coupled to the first structural plate. A signal is provided to the module for the plurality of tiles and then that signal is separated into components to drive each of said tiles. There is no separation of a signal that arrives at the module into separate components to drive each of the tiles in Mazurek. The mere provision of power does not meet the claimed limitations.

Therefore, claim 13 as amended patentably distinguishes over the art.

Claim 20 calls for securing a plurality of display tiles to a plurality of first structural plates to form modules. The modules are then secured to a second structural plate to form a large area display. The use of a first structural plate to form modules that are attached to a second structural plate to form a large area display is no where suggested in Mazurek. Therefore, reconsideration of the rejection of claim 20 is respectfully requested.

Claim 26 calls for a plurality of tiles arranged in an array with gaps between the tiles. Each of the tiles have a regular pattern of surface profile features defined in the surface of the tile so as to camouflage the appearance of the gaps between adjacent tiles.

Mazurek shows no surface features of any type, much less ones designed to hide the gaps between tiles.

Reconsideration of the Section 112 rejection of claim 10 is respectfully requested. Claim 10 calls for a mullion that is tee shaped, including a downwardly extending prong that extends between the tiles, the prong being substantially transparent. The Section 112 rejection asserts that this feature is not adequately taught in the specification. To the contrary, it is clearly shown in Figures 8 and 9. Figure 8 is explained in the specification, page 7, starting at line 9 and going through line 19. Figure 9 is explained starting at line 19 and extending to page 8, line 11. All the claimed elements are clearly set forth therein.

A similar rejection was made to claims 27 through 30. Claim 27, for example, calls for the display of claim 26 wherein the surface profile features are v-shaped. These features are plainly shown in Figure 16 and described in the corresponding section of the specification at page 10, lines 13 through 16.

Claim 28 calls for the gaps to be v-shaped. It is clearly shown in Figure 16 and the specification.

Claim 29 calls for the surface profile features being positioned between adjacent pixels. As clearly shown, for example in Figures 16 and 17, the pixels correspond to the elements 52 and the surface profile features are the features 50a or 60. These features are explained in the specification at page 10, lines 21 through 25.

In view of these remarks, the application is now in condition for allowance and the Examiner's prompt action in accordance therewith is respectfully requested.

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